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SUBJECT: DIVIDED FAMILY CASES IN BULGARIA

REF: STATE 077092; SOFIA 0582

- 1. ON APRIL 18, EMBOFF DELIVERED TO MFA CONSULAR DEPT
 HEAD (KARASLAVOV) LIST DIVIDED FAMILIES CASES KNOWN TO
 EMBASSY. TOTAL NUMBER POTENTIAL TRAVELERS ALL CATEGORIES
 72. KARASLAVOV COMMENTED THAT ANY CASES INVOLVING SPONSORS
 WANTED IN BULGARIA ON CRIMINAL CHARGES OTHER THAN VIOLATION
 TRAVEL CONTROL LAWS (ILLEGAL DEPARTURE OR STAY ABROAD) WOULD
 ALMOST CERTAINLY NOT RECEIVE FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION. HE
 SPECULATED THAT MOST OTHER WOULD RECEIVE EXIT PERMISSION. ASKED
 TO ESTIMATE TIME NECESSARY FOR REVIEW, KARASLAVOV INDICATED MIGHT
 BE QUESTION OF "WEEKS" BUT NOT "MONTHS".
- 2. COPY LIST BEING FORWARDED BY AIRGRAM. SUGGEST DEPT NOT, AT THIS TIME, INITIATE CONTACT WITH SPONSORS AND BE MOST RESERVED IN RESPONDING TO ANY QUERIES RECEIVED ON SUBJECT. WHILE THERE IS SOME REASON FOR OPTIMISM THAT SOME ASPIRANT TRAVELERS WILL BE GRANTED EXIT PERMISSION, WE HAVE NO WAY OF KNOWING HOW MANY.
- 3. DURING CONVERSATION, KARASLAVOV RAISED CASE OF YOUNG LYUBOMIR KHRISTOV (SEE SOFIA 1129; AUGUST 28, 1973 AND CONFIDENTIAL

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SUBSEQUENT) WHICH BULGARIANS CLEARLY VIEW AS REVERSE DIVIDED

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FAMILY CASE. KARASLAVOV REQUESTED NO ACTION FROM EMBASSY ON KHRISTOV CASE AND EMBOFF ONLY ACKNOWLEDGED AWARENESS OF CASE. HERZ	
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